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(C) The following is description of the four-day training session held for six female communication liaison cadre. The training was in preparation for the forthcoming VC "Dry Season" Campaign.

*Including Liberation
of Saigon*

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1. (U) During the four-day period from 3 to 6 November 1967, the commander of the female communication liaison cadre of the Saigon-Gia Dinh Region Party Communication liaison cadre to Dau Tieng Forest to study VC policy and operational methods. They were preparing for the forthcoming "Dry Season" Campaign. Ten people were present at the meeting; four instructors and six female communication liaison cadre as follows:

Hai TRI. An instructor who briefed the group on the situation. A VC cadre from Binh Duong Province.

Hai LY. An instructor who briefed the group on the responsibility of

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the people in the struggle. A VC Cadre from Saigon.

Hai TUNG. An instructor who briefed the group on the 'Dry Season' Campaign. A VC Cadre.

Tu NUOC. An instructor, who briefed the group on mission assignments. A VC cadre.

Hai HUE. A Saigon female communication liaison cadre.

Bay THU. Aka Nguyen Thi DEO, a Saigon-Gia Dinh female communication liaison cadre.

Hai NU. A Saigon-Gia Dinh female communication liaison sapper cadre.

Tam THAM. A female communication liaison cadre operating in the Ben Co area.

Nam HANH. A female communication liaison cadre operating in the Cholon area.

2. (C) All instructors wore black pajamas. The training site was located in the Dau Tieng Forest. A method of conducting a participant to the training site was for the individual to go approximately 2,000 meters past the Dau Tieng Post (GVN) where he would be met and escorted to the location by a VC. The person was blindfolded going both to and from the site, which was about a ten-minute ride. The training site was a house which was guarded by a local force VC company. The house was about six meters wide and was divided into six compartments by the use of dark nylon. Each compartment was large enough to accommodate one person sitting on a chair. The instructors sat at a desk located in front of the compartments. Each trainee could see the instructor but they could not see each other. However, they could hear each other express their individual ideas. The purpose of the training was to boost the moral of the town action cadre members. The training encompassed three sessions for a total of nine hours each. The morning session was held from 0800 to 1200 hours; afternoon from 1500 to 1700 hours; evening from 2100 hours to 2400 hours.

13. (C) The instructors and the subjects presented were as follows:

a. 3 November 1967 Hai THI briefed the group on the military situation. He spoke of VC victories at the battles of Loc Ninh, Dak To, Cai Be, Long An Binh Long and the DMZ area. He asked for more effort in defeating the Americans. He also discussed the tactics of the three front attacks, i.e. military attacks, extensive use of propaganda, and demonstrations.

b. 4 November 1967. Hai LY briefed the group on the responsibilities of a citizen in the struggle of the liberation front. LY discussed examples of VC heroes such as Nguyen Van TROI, Nguyen Van BE, and some heroines to motivate the trainees.

c. 5 November 1967. Hai TUNG briefed the group on the 'Dry Season' Campaign. He said that at present, the VC high level headquarters was endeavoring to prepare for a new campaign called the "Dry Season Attack". It would consist of surprise attacks against friendly forces. The following three-front attacks would be used: military victories to increase pressure on politics; political policy attacks in order to gain a good position from the viewpoint of the liberation front; and gain world diplomatic victories by gaining the sympathy of peace loving countries and other communist countries. Specifically, TUNG stated that within the next six months (dry season), the Saigon-Gia Dinh Special

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Region Party Committee would work out a plan to implement a general surprise attack against Saigon in order to liberate the capital. It was planned to use the military support of well-trained regiments.

d. 6 November 1967. Each trainee personally met with Tu NUOC to receive a mission. The training ended at 1200 hours on 6 November 1967.

5. (C) One trainee was assigned the mission of carrying a flash envelope to Hai LY who had previously returned to Saigon. However, on the afternoon of 6 November 1967, upon arrival at the Dau Tieng Post, the trainee was detained by GVN Regional Forces. The trainee secretly disposed of the envelope by eating it. After an unsuccessful search of the individual by the GVN regional forces, he was released.

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